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**Sent:** 9/29/2022 12:53:37 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Media Inquiry Class VI/Carbon Wells (Deadline ASAP)

Received, thanks Charles. I will send it up.

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EPA would have oversight responsibilities on the permits if it grants primacy.

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Charles,

We received a follow up inquiry from the same reporter, Ken has concurred with the response below. Let me know if you approve as well.

**Response:** Correct, this is in regard to the injection well itself.

**Reporter Question:** If the EPA were to grant LDNR's application for primacy, then LDNR would be the sole agency responsible for approving the Class VI permits, right?

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Response is ok

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2022, at 12:03 PM, Robledo, Joseph <Robledo.Joseph@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Charles,

Please see the responses below regarding a media inquiry about class VI/carbon wells, responses were concurred by Ken Johnson and Brandon Maples. **Deadline is ASAP.**

**Media Inquiry:** I'm interested in learning more about Air Products' plans for a blue hydrogen/carbon capture project in Lake Maurepas in Louisiana, and would like to pose the following questions to your office:

Question #1. Is the company required to apply for and receive approval from the EPA for carbon wells?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Question #2. If so, has the company initiated that process?

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Question #3. How long would that process normally take?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Question #4. Would it be possible for LDNR to supersede the EPA in issuing approval(s) for carbon wells in this case?

**Response:** No, LDNR would have to apply and be approved for primacy in order to permit Class VI wells; otherwise, authority is delegated to EPA only.

Question #5. If so, has LDNR expressed an interest in doing so?

**Response:** Yes, LDNR has expressed an interest in receiving authority to permit Class VI wells and has submitted a primacy application that is currently under review at EPA HQ.

Question #6. Would that require some sort of official delegation of authority from the EPA?

**Response:** Yes, EPA's approval of LDNR's Class VI primacy application is the process by which EPA would delegate Class VI permitting authority to LDNR.

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